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Memorial for two friends

Cynthia Gomez and Estevan Jimenez remembered by friends and family

BY MARY VERSTEEG-HALL
Copy Editor

Outside of St. Patrick's Church in East Chicago, Sunday, Nov. 2, the air was quiet and cold, with rain spattering down on the cars that lined the streets. Cars which belong to the family members and friends of the slain Cynthia Gomez, 19, and Estevan Jimenez, 24.

They came to show their support for both families during a memorial service, held at the church and sponsored by the Northwest Indiana Hispanic Coordinating Council.

Both family members of the slain couple sat in the front pews, their eyes and expressions held sadness as they listened to the pastor speak.

Soft light filled the air. Light flickered from candles clutched in hands during the living rosary. And light poured over the congregation by the family members and friends who rose to speak on behalf of the pair, who expressed a light of hope for tomorrow.

Gomez's sister, Jennifer Gomez, said with love in her voice, "Cynthia brought us a lot of joy. If you knew her, she would have brought you much joy. She is in the wind and in the plants. She's here mentally and spiritually."

"God gave (Cynthia) to me and Val," Olga Gomez, mother of Gomez, said with

strength. "If it wasn't for her, I don't know what would have become of us. One of the biggest things she wanted was to be a physical therapist. She wanted to help people."

"It's real hard for me to accept and understand what's happened. I'll keep praying."

Gomez's mother expressed the desire for the Jimenez family and her own to become closer for their children's sake, calling Jimenez her son.

Jimenez's older sister, Marsela Jimenez, said with energy and passion, "I watched Stevie grow up a chubby kid, then a butterfly, and finally a beautiful man. I have tried to understand why. Our family has learned for the first time not to ask why."

"There is no answer."

Gomez was attending classes at Purdue University Calumet in hopes of obtaining a degree in physical therapy. She also worked for a physical therapist, contracted by Inland Steel.

Gomez's sister, Elizabeth Gomez, a student of PUC is withdrawing this semester



Cynthia Gomez



Estevan Jimenez

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Jennifer Gomez, Cynthia Gomez's sister



Photo by Mary Versteeg-Hall

Friends and family of Cynthia Gomez, 19, a PUC student, and Estevan Jimenez, 24, pray during a memorial service held at St. Patrick's Church in East Chicago. Gomez and Jimenez were slain Oct. 12. Their bodies were reported found on Oct. 16 to the police by a man who later confessed to the killings.

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New police officer comes to Purdue Calumet force

BY LISA GUFFEY
Staff Contributor

Purdue University Calumet Police Department hired a new police officer. Timothy Garzella joined Purdue's force Sept. 8, coming from the Hammond Police Department.

Garzella worked two and a half years for the city of Gary's police force, after he graduated from the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy in Plainfield, Ind. When he left

Gary, he proceeded to Hammond where he was a patrolman for two and a half years.

Garzella came to Purdue University Calumet in hopes to find a more relaxed atmosphere as well as a not-so-fast-paced place to work. "I was ready to slow down. I needed to take a break," Garzella said. He explained the differences between working for a big police department and a campus police department.

In Gary, the volume of calls in an eight

hour period, ranged from 12 to 25 calls. He dealt with anything from domestic issues to shootings and sometimes homicides. On campus, he receives calls on a less violent circumstances such as scratched cars, parking violations and an occasional accident.

Garzella said he got into the police force through his brother who is an officer in Portage. "I was a student at IUN and didn't really know what I wanted to do. My brother encouraged me to take the police tests. I

did. I started to do ride-alongs with other officers. That is what really made me stick with becoming a police officer."

Garzella has been with the PUC Police Department for three weeks. He hopes to stay here until retirement. "I'm looking for a nice, hopefully uneventful career here," stated Garzella. "Everyone I've met is very nice. Most of the stuff is pretty positive as compared to the negative experience of Gary and Hammond."

PUC students run Chicago Marathon

BY MARTI TRGOVICH
Staff Writer

Three Purdue University Calumet students completed the annual Chicago Marathon Oct. 19 in Grant Park.

More than 14,000 runners participated in the 26-mile run, according to John Bobalik, PUC Total Fitness Center director.

PUC students Constance Karras, Mark Sadecki and Paul Stofko finished at 4:01:02, 3:09:55 and 3:05:22, respectively.

"All three times are very good on a local level," Bobalik said. "On a national level, they're better than average."

The race was Stofko's fourth Chicago Marathon. Although he placed 736, he was disappointed with his time. "I ran the same time

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John Bobalik,
Fitness Center director

last year, so I wanted to get it under three hours," he said.

Stofko is a certified personal trainer at Gator's Athletic Club in Highland.

He will graduate next semester with an associate degree in dietary technology and has been accepted at Northern Arizona University in

Students in the running

Students who ran Chicago Marathon	
Constance Karras	4:01:02
Mark Sadecki	3:09:55
Paul Stofko	3:05:22

Flagstaff. Stofko hopes to continue his personal training career in Arizona after earning his bachelor's degree in exercise science. "I really want to train," he said. "A lot of lead athletes train out there because it's high altitude."

Bobalik said that the accomplishments of the student runners is impressive, considering that PUC does not have a distance running team. "For (the students) to pursue that along with their studies, it takes a very disciplined person," he said. "So that all reflects individual effort which is a nice tribute."

Seventh annual Wellness Weekend coming to campus

Free Fitness seminar offered to students and faculty

BY KEENAN HYATT
Staff Writer

Purdue University Calumet will host the national health and fitness authority, Dr. James M. Rippe, on Saturday, Nov. 15. The purpose of the seminar is to focus on ways to maintain good health through fitness and weight management.

A cardiologist and director of the Center for Clinical and Lifestyle Research at Tufts University, Rippe believes people who are in control of their



Dr. James Rippe

health will live great lives. His seminar will focus on the belief that exercising and staying healthy should be incorporated in our daily

lives. "Dr. Rippe is gearing his presentation toward members of the student body and faculty," Purdue Calumet Total Fitness Center Coordinator John Bobalik said. "He wants guests to realize

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ADMINISTRATION UPDATE

A new, improved system for keeping track of YOUR records

The Banner system has just received a major facelift. Banner is the computer database management system which keeps track of all academic and administrative data associated with every student who attends Purdue Calumet. This data relates to admissions, registration, financial aid and grade records.

The new, improved Banner sports a new "GUI" (pronounced Goo-ee, as in hot fudge sundae), which stands for Graphic User Interface. The new GUI of Banner uses pictures and icons to display and manipulate data. One familiar example of a GUI is the Windows 3.1 and 95 products that we run on our PCs.

In order to implement this new GUI version of Banner, several major hurdles had to be overcome. First, some of the computing infrastructure had to be upgraded. The new GUI version operates in what is called "client-server" mode. In a client-server system, most of the computing is done on the central computer or "server," but some tasks are run on the user's desktop device or "client." A dumb terminal does not have enough computing power to perform these "client" tasks. Instead, one usually has to replace the dumb terminals with PCs. This is an effective, but costly solution.

A more economical solution

Fortunately, a more economical solution is available through a product called WinFrame. WinFrame enables one to implement client-server technology without putting PCs on everyone's desk.

Using WinFrame allows the University to implement Banner GUI in a client-server mode but at a much lower cost. Joe Morales, manager of Hardware Services in the University's Dept. of Computing, Technology & Information Services (CTIS), and his staff have been hard at work putting all the necessary equipment and cabling in place to support the WinFrame technology. John Toma of CTIS' Network Services implemented the WinFrame server.

Upgrade to Windows 95

Some Banner users have PCs which can support Banner in client-server mode. Unfortunately, to integrate the Banner client into the PC desktop also requires the Windows 95 operating system, not the older Windows 3.1 product. Thus, Banner users with PCs had to have their PCs upgraded to Windows 95. Joe Morales and his Hardware Services team was responsible for the necessary hardware upgrades. Mark Popa directed CTIS's Windows 95 installation team.

Another major challenge in implementing Banner GUI was the need to upgrade the existing Banner software. SCT, the company that sells the Banner system, takes an approach to upgrades that transforms the current Banner software piece by piece instead of replacing the whole system in a single step. The upgrade to Banner GUI actually involved 23 separate upgrades, and some of these upgrades had more than 20 required steps.

A team effort

Don Erwin, manager of Student Information Support (SIS); Sharon Robey, Database administrator for the Banner System; and Owen Anthony and Denise Mattix, systems programmers for CTIS, spent most of September and October including weekends working to convert the Banner software.

In addition to upgrading the Banner software, implementing the WinFrame technology and upgrading Banner users to Windows 95, all users of the new GUI version of Banner also needed to be trained in how the new interface works. Caroline Ward of CTIS, Rose Most of Enrollment Services and Ann Severa of the Registrar's Office developed and jointly conducted the training for the Banner users.

Although it has been a long and complicated task for the staff to complete, the end results and benefits should be worth the major effort put forth. The CTIS staff and all the Banner users deserve much credit for the time they have dedicated to this project. Success on this project will leave us well positioned for the next upgrade: Banner 2000. Stay tuned...

Campus Crime Watch

Purdue Calumet crime statistics are reported to the federal government and published periodically in this column. Reported campus crimes during April through October are as follows:

CATEGORY	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.
Personal Property Theft	4	0	2	1	2	0	4
Amount of Loss	\$323.99	0	\$129	\$25	\$938	0	\$490
University Property Theft	1	0	1	0	0	4	2
Amount of Loss	\$250	0	\$5	0	0	\$5,040	\$275
Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Burglary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RECOVERIES MADE							
Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0	0	0	2

At a glance around campus

Sigma Lambda Beta seeking new members

Are you determined to succeed? Do you wish to develop your leadership skills? The Brothers of Sigma Lambda Beta Fraternity Inc. strongly believes in the principles of brotherhood, scholarship, service, and cultural awareness. We are looking for motivated men to carry on the tradition. For more information about Sigma Lambda Beta please contact Jose Magallanes, Chapter President, at 473-0298.

Wellness programs for November

"Using the Exchange System for Good Nutrition and Weight Control" will be presented Tuesday, Nov. 18 from 11:45 to 12:30 p.m. in LAWS-305. To register, contact Personnel at 989-2743.

"How to Talk to your Doctor" will be presented Friday, Nov. 21 from noon to 12:30 p.m. in the Region Room of the SFLC. To register contact Personnel at 989-2743.

Wellness weekend activities

"Achieving Health, Peace and Fitness: Finding the Time, Making Commitment" will be presented by James M. Rippe, MD Saturday, Nov. 15 from 10:30 a.m. to noon in the PERS building. To register for this free presentation call 989-2175.

The Health and Fitness Fair will take place from noon to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 15 in the PERS.

Diabetes Support Group to meet

Due to Thanksgiving, the Diabetes Support Group will meet Tuesday, Nov. 25 in SFLC-305 at 7 p.m. People with diabetes and their loved ones are welcome. For more information, contact Constance Karras at 836-5461 or 989-2175.

Running club canceled

Due to lack of interest, the running Club has been canceled for the remainder of the semester. Provided that there is interest, the running club will resume in the spring.

General Assembly Meetings

Purdue Calumet's Student Government would like to announce the General Assembly Meeting. The meeting is Thursday, Nov. 16 at 2 p.m. in SFLC-321. General Assembly Meetings

are open to the public. Members of the student body are highly encouraged to attend.

PUC Women's Studies Brown Bag Series

"Dr. Lucy Brown: America's foremost Botanist, Ecologist, Conservationist and Educator" will be presented by Dr. Young Choi, Associate Professor Biological Sciences on Tuesday, Nov. 12 at noon in room SFLC-321.

Lunch-Time Seminars on PUC Faculty Research

"The Effects of Black Locust Invasion" will be presented by Dr. Robert Peloquin, Associate Professor of Biological Sciences, Monday, Nov. 24 in SFLC-301 from noon to 12:50 p.m.

PUC Physics Seminar Series

"Cryogenic treatment of tool Steels" will be presented by Dr. Harvey Abramowitz of the Engineering Department of Purdue University Calumet, Thursday, Nov. 13 in GYTE-208 from 4 to 4:50 p.m.

"Artificially structured materials: After the Iron Age" will be presented by Dr. Andrew Gavrin of Indiana University/Purdue University at Indianapolis, Thursday, Dec. 4 in GYTE-208 from 4 to 4:50 p.m.

Coffee and refreshments will be served at 3:40 p.m. in GYTE-208

PCIA looking for members

Purdue Club for International Affairs is looking for members and potential officers. The goals of this student club are to increase global awareness among members, facilitate international travel and study opportunities, conduct social activities to introduce students to different aspects of other cultures, make new friends, have fun, and party. For more information please contact Gideon Falk at 989-2603 or 989-2388.

Chronicle new meeting schedule

The Chronicle Business and Advertising Department will meet Mondays at 12:30 p.m. and 6 p.m., Production Department will meet Tuesdays at 2:30 p.m., News Department will meet Mondays at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m., and Tuesdays at 1 p.m. If you are interested in becoming part of the staff, fill out an application and attend one of the meetings. Stop by the office in SFCL-344H or call 989-2547.

Quote of the week

'You know you're in a humane seafood restaurant when you see all the frogs in wheelchairs.'

-Unknown

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Intervention urged by victim advocates

EAST LANSING, Mich. (CPS) — After a vicious attack on a Michigan State student, advocates for victims of relationship violence are urging students to intervene if they suspect abuse.

"If they hear of an incident going on — even yelling and screaming — call 911," said Holly Rosen, director of the Michigan State University Safe Place, the nation's only on-campus shelter for abused students.

The MSU student, Akiko Oyaizu, 22, is in stable condition and expected to recover after she was stabbed in the neck, hands and foot with a butcher knife Oct. 27.

The suspect in the case, her 19-year-old boyfriend, Jirapat Praepetch, also is expected to recover after stabbing himself in the throat.

MSU Police Capt. Tony Kleibecker said officers were sent to Oyaizu's on-campus apartment after she called 911 for help.

"When the first officers arrived on the scene, they found her laying outside her apartment," he said. "She had been stabbed several times and was bleeding heavily."

Police were able to drag her out of the way and give her immediate medical help, Kleibecker said. "One of the arteries in her neck was severed," he said.

Praepetch, also an MSU student, threatened officers with a knife as they attempted to talk with him, Kleibecker said. The man stabbed himself in the throat, and then continued to walk about the apartment waving the knife.

"Sometimes he would stick it back in his throat," he said.

Praepetch held the officers at bay for two hours until losing consciousness. He is charged with assault with intent to commit murder, Kleibecker said.

Police had been called to the apartment one other time in early October when the couple were involved in a shouting match.

The campus attack comes days after a jilted boyfriend pumped three bullets into his former girlfriend's new beau in a West Virginia University dormitory before turning the gun on himself.

The gunman died but the victim is expected to recover. The woman was unharmed.

A month earlier, a University of Michigan senior was stabbed to death outside her apartment by her live-in boyfriend. Police fatally shot the boyfriend when he refused to stop stabbing her.

The incidents have shocked many who thought college campuses were safe havens from relationship violence. While most students enjoy healthy dating relationships, a number of them — some studies suggest as many as one in four students — experience some type of relationship violence.

Rosen, from the MSU Safe Place, urges students who are in abusive relationships to call the National Domestic Violence Hotline, at 1-800-799-SAFE.

Students who suspect a suite mate, classmate or friend is suffering abuse also should take a stand, she said.

Police Blotter

For the weeks of
Oct. 10 - Nov. 2

All information is based on official Purdue University Calumet police reports and charges are preliminary, pending review by proper authorities.

Friday, Oct. 31

Students reported a male running around in a Halloween mask with a butter knife, harassing and scaring people. Student was stopped and warned by the PUC police about his actions. The butter knife was taken for safe keeping.

Tuesday, Oct. 28

Staff reported the theft of a coat rack, lamp, and space heater from the Counseling Center, GYTE-3 and 5C, over a two week period.

Monday, Oct. 27

Police responded to a one car accident with property damage in the P-7 parking lot east of Porter Hall.

Police responded to a vehicular accident with property damage in the P-6 parking lot south of the Central, Heating and Cooling building.

Thursday, Oct. 23

Police responded to a vehicular accident with property damage in the P-7 parking lot east of Porter Hall. One vehicle involved was a PUC vehicle.

Tuesday, Oct. 21

Police responded to a hit and run vehicular accident with minor property damage in the P-7 parking lot east of Porter Hall.

Monday, Oct. 20

Staff reported criminal mischief to one stall in the men's restroom in PORT-115.



Photo by Christopher Kosovich

Facelift for bookstore

Workers tear out the old carpeting in the bookstore. The improvements to the bookstore are scheduled to finish Nov. 21.

Seminar

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that maintaining good health while you are young makes it a lot easier to remain healthy through the later stages of life. I think that what he teaches ties in great with our school's philosophy," said Bobalik.

Wellness Weekend is being sponsored by PUC's Total Fitness Center, the Post Tribune, and Northern Indiana Public Service Corporation. There is no charge for the event.

Memorial

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due to her grief, said Gomez's mother. Valentin Gomez, Gomez's father, is also a student at PUC.

Gomez and Jimenez were determined missing Sunday, Oct. 12, after visiting friends at Indiana University in Bloomington. Before going to the beach, they stopped by a friend's house in Portage. That was the last time they were seen until their discovery the following Thursday.

Main suspect, DaJuan T. Sease, 20, from Gary, on Oct. 16 led police to the bodies in the Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore's West Beach. Sease went to a home in Miller requesting the owner call the police, claiming he discovered the victims, said Portage Chief David M. Reynolds.

On Oct. 24, while on the phone with a Portage detective, Sease confessed to the killings. Sease then killed himself. He was already a main suspect after another couple, claiming to be at the beach the night of the slayings, called police on Oct. 22, about a man they saw walking by himself in the area whose description resembled Sease.

The couple claimed that as they approached the beach they heard popping sounds. They then left the area.

On Friday, Oct. 24, Sease was brought into the Portage Police Dept. where he failed a lie detector test. Two hours after his release at approximately 11:40 a.m., Sease shot himself in the head during a taped telephone call to Portage police, confessing to the murders.

"We feel terrible that a tragedy of this nature happened," said PUC Public Relations Officer Wes Lukoshus. "Not only as a student, but because she was an individual. We tried to prepare this individual for her future, and now she's not going to realize it."

PUC police were contacted Oct. 15 by Merrillville police about Gomez, requesting they search for Gomez's car. Police did search for her car and to see if Gomez was attending classes.

"The case is still open as if nothing ever happened," said FBI Agent Lou Caprino. "We are still going on with our investigation." The case is under the FBI's jurisdiction because the bodies were discovered on federal land.

Lawsuit may halt students' easy access to term papers

BOSTON (CPS) — The website of paperz.com advertises "only the finest in student research."

For a fee, students can purchase term papers on topics from American civilization to women's studies. And while a disclaimer on the site notes that the material is "not to be copied and turned in as original work," there's nothing stopping students from handing it in for credit.

That's why Boston University filed a lawsuit against paperz.com and seven other companies in federal court Oct. 20, accusing them of wire fraud, mail fraud, racketeering and breaking a Massachusetts law that bans the sale of term papers.

BU says it's the first legal battle against so-called "term-paper mills" on the Internet.

"We expect academic work presented by students to be the product of their own efforts," said Jon Westling, BU president. "We will take whatever steps are necessary to preserve the integrity of the academic process."

The companies argue that the term papers are for research purposes only, and most state as

much on their sites. "You can never expect a grade because you can never hand in this work," says a disclaimer on the site of Term Papers, School and Business Help Line, another company sued by BU. "This is totally wrong. Write your own report and use your own thoughts."

Such disclaimers are a sham, say BU officials. During a sting operation last summer, the university alleges that university workers posing as students bought term papers even though they made it clear they would pass the work off as their own.

Many of the companies provided a title page with the student's name and particular course on it, the university said.

While term-paper mills have flourished in college towns for decades — some even advertise in the campus newspaper — their easy availability on the Internet frustrates university officials.

"In the past, these shady operators would pass out flyers on the street to attract customers," Westling said. "Now they open a web page and wait for students to contact them."

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Deal with it or quit

Every winter the same phenomena occurs. Smokers crowd around the building entrances to avoid the cold. As it is getting colder some smokers are already migrating closer to the warmth of the foyers. Some even stand halfway inside the building and blow smoke out. Smokers who crowd the building entrances for shelter from the cold are being inconsiderate to their fellow students and this behavior needs to stop.

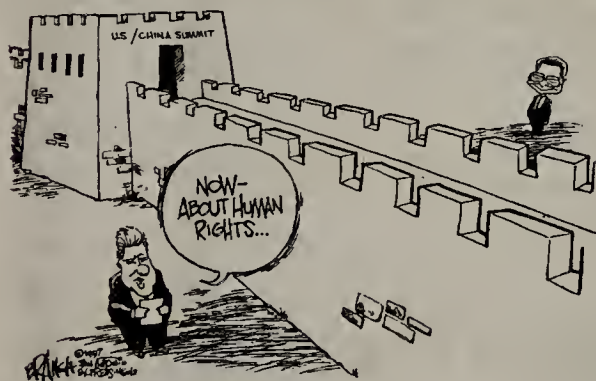
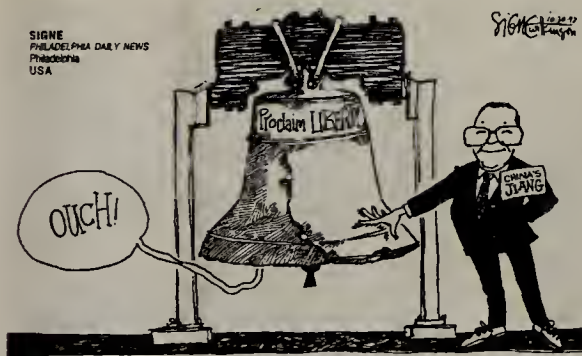
Smokers should take the initiative and move farther away from the building entrances when smoking. Smokers should make this change themselves and not force the university to take action.

Eventually someone is going to complain loud enough for the university to take action. However, this entire scenario can be avoided.

There are several possible solutions to this problem. One such solution could be signs. These signs could notify smokers of this problem and warn them of potential fines.

The best solution is by far the simplest. It involves no university action and it won't cost anybody any money. The solution is common courtesy. Smokers and non-smokers alike should keep their fellow students in mind and move away from the doors. There is no reason to crowd around the building entrances. It is not necessary to make getting in and out of buildings a great ordeal.

Smoking is a choice and it is time to face the facts. Smokers will have to suffer the consequences as the colder weather approaches. If you are going to smoke, you are going to be cold. Deal with it or quit.



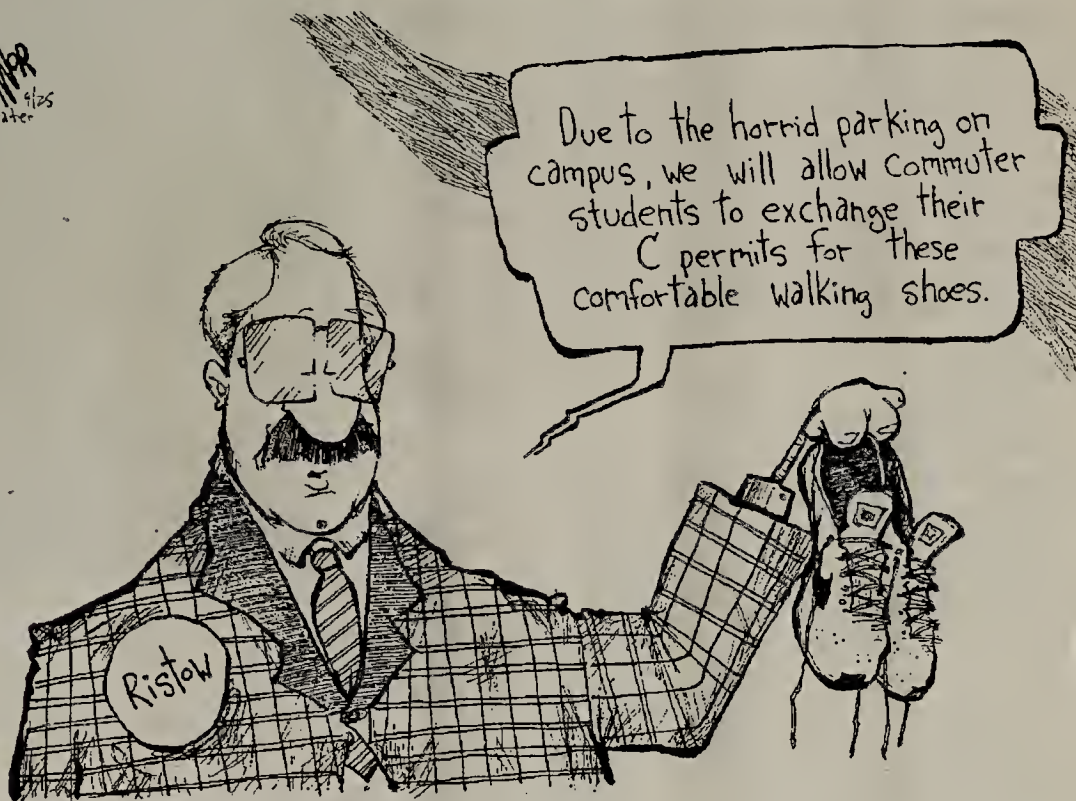
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College stress causes reminiscing about carefree childhood days

View from elsewhere

By Ryan Fischer
 The Baylor Lariat

All right, now that everyone is officially swamped in schoolwork and other activities, tell me how much you would give to be a kid again.

Yeah, it's cliché, but honestly, as I sit at a desk, poring over notes on the lives of people who are long dead and not even related to me, I can't help but space off and wish I was someplace else.

Someplace like elementary school.

There are people who can knock high school and junior high as horrible times in their lives and I can distinctly remember being stressed-out my fair share in those hormone-infested years. But when it comes to elementary school, it gets easy to find a common denominator of good memories.

I mean, what did anyone do all day that wasn't fun?

Classes were generally taught by gigantic (remember your own size) ladies, usually with especially curly hair and glasses.

They were either fun to be around or they picked their noses and stuck the boogers behind their ear for a snack later on (that may have been a rumor).

Whether they were good witches or bad witches, though, didn't really make much difference in the education you received.

It's not like today, when a psychotic instructor gets up in front of a class of 150 and says only one of you will walk away with an "A."

No, a "mean" teacher was simply more apt to send you to the principal's office for the minor infractions of good behavior, like eating paste or belching in the face of Becky, the girl who sat next to you.

Yet, even the worst day from elementary school pales in comparison to some of the trials that hit in college.

Nowadays, it feels like you need to schedule in time to take breathers, much less worry about the 15-page paper due at 8 a.m. tomorrow.

A little over a decade ago, most of us simply had to throw down our Transformer or My-Little-Pony backpacks after school and schedule in the next round of "cops and robbers" or "war" for that afternoon.

Homework was something that only "big kids" did, and I remember being naively envious of that privilege.

Until the day came that homework was finally assigned, though, figuring out how to feed the dog the rest of your mashed potatoes without your parents noticing was the hardest your

brain had to work past 5 p.m.

The more I think about it, the more I miss the almost-utopia of being five-to-ten-years-old, and the more I put off doing anything for my classes tomorrow.

It just sickens me that, back then, none of us had any idea how good things really were.

It's going to be at least 60 more years before any of us can have so little to do with our time, and by then, our bodies probably won't be able to take rolling down the hill in the field next door.

I also doubt that there will ever be a time when I can wake up at six in the morning without an alarm for the sole purpose of eating Apple Jacks and watching Pac-Man or Thundarr the Barbarian.

But that's probably the way it should be. If great moments lasted forever, there wouldn't be anything left to truly treasure in life.

Childhood is a magic that doesn't last, but that fact alone makes us remember it as all the more magical.

The memories are probably just the Man Upstairs' way of asking a few of us to recall the wonder of our early years, and inspire it in the life of someone else.

Someone who will, one day, be getting ready to belch and who will swear that the teacher just picked her nose.

Why do students end up in credit hell?

View from elsewhere

By Ed Fletcher
 The Digest
 Southern University

Students nationwide are suckered into signing up for student-rate credit cards for the candy, T-shirt, or other cheap gifts.

After all, getting credit is so easy, plus you get free stuff.

Free? To pay off a debt of \$1,000 over one year at 21 percent annual finance rate, which is typical among credit companies that frequent colleges, you could buy 30 shirts at \$7

per T-shirt, or \$210 total.

Many students fail to realize what long-term damage they can do to their credit record by abusing a credit card. Your credit record is permanent and follows you where ever you may go.

Why do so many students end up in credit hell?

Many students lie about their income. Since the company, rarely if ever checks your information, it is easy to slip by. Since the employees get paid based on the number of forms people sign up they don't care if you really can't pay the bill.

Students don't read the fine print. Many cards offer an "introductory rate." Introductory means that rate

will end, and the permanent rate usually will rise after this period is over.

Students don't shop around. Other companies offer better rates but they won't find them knocking down your door to give you a card.

Companies that seek college students often charge exorbitant interest rates. They figure students are not smart enough to shop around or don't have enough income for another company to issue them a card.

Companies figure that most parents will pick up the bill if their kids fall into debt.

Why do colleges allow credit companies to set up their lair?

Universities get paid.

Basketball of global proportions

Teams from Lithuania come to Purdue Calumet to show some skills

BY J.B. LYLES
Staff Writer

The gym was packed, the action was hot, and basketball was the universal language. Two professional teams from Lithuania came halfway around the world to Purdue University Calumet for exhibition hoop action, Sunday, Nov. 2.

The first game was The Lithuanian National Team versus The Lady Lakers of Purdue Calumet. It was an all out game for both teams even though the Lithuanians were taller and faster than their adversaries. Lakers led for most of the first half via Rita Harper, 10 points and five rebounds, and Tabitha Beaumont, six points and two assists. But with four minutes left in the first half, through tough offense on the Lithuanians and sloppy defense on the Lakers part, the Lithuanians took the lead. Three Lithuanians had six points each, while three more had four points each. In the rebounding

department, Lithuanians out rebound the Lakers 24-18, but the Lakers lead in the Offensive Boards by 8-6. The first half ended 37-29 Lithuanians.

In the second half, the Lakers made a run of things. With Rita Harper leading the attack, the Lakers had a 11-4 run on the Lithuanians and pulled to a two point deficit 42-40. However, The Lithuanians showed the Lakers that they came to play. With key turnovers and costly fouls, the Lithuanians pulled away from the Lakers and never relented. They made a 12-3 run on the Lakers after the 11-4 run and pulled farther away from the Lakers winning the game by 19, 72-53.

Harper played 24 minutes and scored 17 points with eight rebounds (two offensive). Beaumont and Jennifer Cain each had eight points and two assists for the Lakers. While the Lithuanians had leading scores from Ausra Naideniene with 12 points and two assists. While

Iveta Rimkute had 11 rebounds lead overall in that department. Rebounding was the Lithuanians talent, leading the Lakers 48-36.

Lakers Head Coach Gary Hayes had this to say after the game. "When they (Lithuanians) made a run at us, we didn't make a run back. The Lithuanians are very tough when it comes to fast breaks and tough defense. We did a pretty decent job and we got all the players some playing time. We can't wait for Jamie Muskin and Vernita Davis to return from volleyball to the team."

"We got some good playing from Heather Gish, Nichole Kolodziej, and Christina Chandler throughout the game. I'm pretty happy with what we've done."

In the second half of the twin bill, the Neptunas Club Team of Lithuanian played Purdue Calumet Lakers. When the game was all said and done, it came down to the last plays to win the ball game. Lakers were down by three, 88-85, when Arvydas Macuaskas were fouled and sent

to the free throw line. He missed both foul shots and PUC got the rebound with about 25 seconds left in the contest. Lakers made a gallant drive to pull within one or tie with a three pointer. Two three point attempts were made and missed by a couple of inches. After a time out was called by PUC, Travis Schmidt tried to get fouled by muscling his way to the basket. But he missed the shot and a foul. With seven seconds left to go, Macuacuskas got the rebound and got fouled. He made two free throws which sealed the deal. The Lakers tried to push the game in overtime with Matt Blower shooting a desperation three. He made it to pull within two, but time had expired. Neptunas defeated the Lakers 90-88.

Blower led the team with 25 points, four assists, and three steals in 33 minutes. Bob Delano lead the team in rebounds with eight, had seven points all in 29 minutes. Alvydas Pazdrazis had 29 points and 12 rebounds in 35 minutes in the win.

Overall the Lakers had more rebounds than Neptunas, 40-38. They had a better three-point percentage, 3 percent (9-29) -28 percent (5-18). But fouls were a key to Neptunas success, fouling 16 times while PUC fouled 28 times.

After the game, Head Coach Larry Liddle had this to say. "We wanted to make improvements throughout the game and we did. Travis Schmidt did a nice job for the team. We were behind the eight ball. We had to battle back and we almost did."

"They're (Neptunas) a high caliber team we played against. They get paid to do this. On our part, we made some good decisions, got good rebounds and wanted to guard people. If we only get better game to game, then we will be where we want to be."

As the Lakers Basketball season rolls in, The Lady Lakers will head to Goshen College on Wednesday, Nov. 19. While the Lakers will head to the Grace Tourney on Friday Nov. 14, and Saturday Nov. 15.

Pale, cool and clammy



An Ounce of Prevention

He was 19 years old and came to the Emergency Department by ambulance. Unconscious when he arrived the paramedics told us that this patient had been at work and collapsed without warning. The electrocardiogram showed no abnormalities with his heart. Blood tests showed that his kidney function and the majority of his blood work was within normal limits. Do you have any idea what the problem could be? Let me give you some more information. His skin was pale, cool and clammy. If you guessed that this young man's blood sugar was low you were correct.

What is Hypoglycemia?

Hypoglycemia means having low blood sugar and is more common in those diabetics who are dependent on taking insulin every day. It can happen to any diabetic and a true hypoglycemic episode in non-diabetics does not occur. Hypoglycemic episodes occur when there is too much insulin present or there is not enough food consumed. This patient was a full time college student, worked full time, and did not eat regular meals. He had been an insulin dependent diabetic since he was fifteen.

Who is affected?

Anyone that is a diabetic is subject to a hypoglycemic episode. It can happen in any age group and gender has nothing

to do with prevalence. Diabetes can transpire at any age and it can happen without warning. Those of Hispanic descent have the highest chance of becoming a diabetic followed by African-Americans. Both of these ethnic groups have a higher rate of diabetes than white Americans. Over the age of 55 African-Americans have a 1:4 chance of becoming a diabetic while Hispanics over the age of 55 have a 1:3.5 chance.

Signs and Symptoms

Normal blood sugar ranges between 60-110 milligrams per deciliter (mg/dL) and may vary slightly depending on the scale used by the laboratory running the test. When the blood sugar approaches or drops below 60 a person may begin to experience hunger, weakness, nervousness, mild trembling, headache, and some difficulty concentrating. As the blood sugar drops further, weakness will increase, skin will become cool and clammy, some numbness about the mouth and sometimes the fingers may occur, and a staring expression may be present. As the blood sugar drops below 45 you can expect to see a state of unconsciousness. The person will be difficult to arouse if not impossible. The blood sugar has dropped to a level where the brain cannot function properly.

What to do

If you come upon a person who appears pale and their skin is cool and clammy, you may

have stumbled upon someone you can help. If the person is alert ask them if they are a diabetic. If they say yes or if they don't know you should give them some orange juice or simple sugar if they are able to swallow. Then call 911. A packet of sugar, candy bar, or any food substance will help. But the person MUST be able to swallow. If the person CANNOT swallow and is either unconscious or in a stupor, don't even attempt to put any food or liquid in their mouth because they will choke on whatever you give them. What can you do? Recognize the symptoms and call 911. You have a genuine emergency on your hands and your actions can save a life.

If you are a diabetic you know by now that you should eat properly, take your medication, have some snacks handy, and monitor your blood sugar daily. If you don't have one already, obtain a Medic-Alert card or wear a bracelet. It lets others know what may be wrong. If you have not been diagnosed as a diabetic yet you feel you get a little shaky, or your mind gets dull when you don't eat, it is certainly a good idea to have your blood sugar monitored for a while. You may be a borderline diabetic. Routine annual exams are a good idea. Your life may depend on it. Remember, an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.



Bob Hnida, RN

Purdue University Calumet Upcoming Men's Basketball Game Schedule

Thursday	Nov. 20	Georgetown Coll.	H	7 p.m.
Tuesday	Nov. 25	Grace College	H	7 p.m.
Saturday	Nov. 29	Milwaukee S. of E.	T	3 p.m.
Tuesday	Dec. 2	Bethel College	T	TBA
Saturday	Dec. 6	Tri-State U.	H	3 p.m.
Friday/Sat.	Dec. 12-13	Taylor Tourney	T	TBA

Purdue University Calumet Upcoming Women's Basketball Game Schedule

Wednesday	Nov. 19	Goshen College.	T	7 p.m.
Friday/Sat.	Nov. 21-22	Huntington Tourney	T	TBA
Tuesday	Nov. 25	Grace College	T	7 p.m.
Saturday	Nov. 29	St. Ambrose Coll.	H	3 p.m.
Monday	Dec. 1	Robert Morris	H	7 p.m.
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The 'Grind' generates authentic groove

MTV just released the first volume in a new collection of music: slow-jams, dance, rap, rock and pop songs.

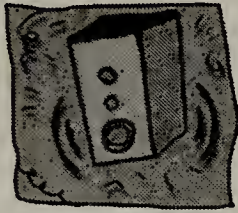
From some of the most radio-friendly songs to those only heard in clubs, there is something on this CD for almost everybody.

Jamiroquai sets the pace with one of the most indefinable songs of the year, "Virtual Insanity." If you watched MTV in the last few months you saw the video and have some idea of the insanity to which he is referring.

Moving right along we get Depeche Mode and White Town. "Your Woman" stands out amongst the blur of new music. The song is very catchy with lyrics such as: "I could never be the right kind of girl for you / I could never be your woman" sung by a man.

Track four can either be turned off immediately or turned up. It all depends on how many dozens of times you have heard the Spice Girls with their bubbly "Wannabe."

Two of my personal favorites are included "Fired



MTV's "Grind"
Various Artists
Tommy Boy Music
Rating 9
Reviewed by
Eric J. Schwier
Entertainment Writer

Up" by Funky Green Dogs and Gina G with "Ooh Aah... Just a Little Bit."

"Fired Up" is a song that doesn't get radio play but is still a good one. MTV has given a slower remix of it but still left it danceable.

So, throw all this together and add in a little Garbage, maybe some Sneaker Pimps. Mix up some Brainbug and Amber and you get one collection of music sure to hit big. If what you are looking for is a good non-stop mix of dance music, you have one here.

Confessions of a couch potato

BY KELLY CREVISTON
Entertainment Writer

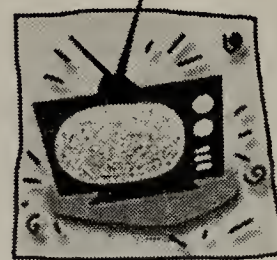
I never considered myself a couch potato until a couple of weeks ago. I was at work arguing with my mom on the phone about recording a show for me. See, our VCR is not hooked up right, so you can only record the show that is on. I found myself saying to her "You don't understand; I can't miss this episode of 'Party of Five.'"

That's when I took a look at how much television I actually watch. I work four nights a week, and my family has to record shows for me on three of those nights. Monday it's "Melrose Place" and "Ally McBeal." Wednesday is "Party of Five." Thursday, I'd have a fit if I missed "ER."

And then there is Sunday, my perfect night to sit in my room watching "The Simpsons," "King of the Hill," and the "X-files." It averages out to six and a half hours of TV a week. With a full-time school load, and a part-time job it's a wonder that I get anything done at all. Maybe that's why I can never find time to do my laundry.

It doesn't stop there, though. It gets worse. Not only am I addicted to these shows, but I'm addicted to the characters as well. It

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upsets me to think that only two of the original cast members of "Melrose Place" are still on the show and I'm still hoping that Sherry Stringfield will return to "ER." Mark could really use her right now.

Then recently on an episode of the "Rosie O'Donnell show," Matthew Fox was talking about how Charlie is going to have Hodgkin's disease on "Party of Five." The worst part is that he won't say if he is leaving the show or not. It would be a perfect

excuse to get rid of him. Then what would the Salinger's do with poor Owen and Claudia still growing up, and Bailey still trying to deal with his alcoholism. Just when he is accepting Griffin into the family, and moving on with his own life with Nina. He absolutely can't leave the show, the family needs him too much.

In case you can't tell, I wrote this right after I watched "Party of Five." I kept thinking of all the characters that I've gotten attached to on my favorite shows and how unfair it is for them to leave loyal viewers.

Isn't it sad that I've come to think like this? I mean, I understand that they want to move on with their careers, but I feel they are letting all of their fans down.

It seems every time that I get hooked on a show, a character leaves and it's just not the same.

So this is for all of the stars that have left us in the dust. Come back Laura Leighton and Daphne Zuniga ("Melrose Place"), Sherry Stringfield, and even Eva LaRue Callahan (my favorite actress on "All my Children"). We'll miss you after January David Charvet ("Melrose Place"). And David Duchovny, don't even think of leaving the "X-files" to spend more time with that new wife of yours.

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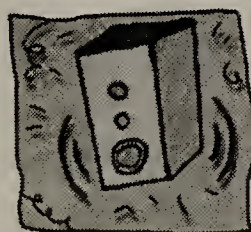
Chronicle staff report

Jack Sharkey's, "While the Lights Were Out," directed by Tom Bogucki, is a comedic thriller sure to tickle the minds and hearts of all those who attend. The show takes place in a British mansion on the Bermuda islands where a mysterious message has been sent to the area police, informing them that a crime may be taking place. The Chief Inspector played by Mathew Kennedy, and his assistant played by Nikkalynn Foster go to the mansion only to find a dysfunctional family played by Larry Colgan, Linda Wein and Kris Gettig. Their four wacky guests include a famous fashion designer, a French naval

hero, Monica's sister, a southern bell from Alabama, and an unidentified blonde. Others to be in the mansion include an anal housekeeper, a conceited and arrogant butler Remley and their cheeky maid Mimosa.

After all of the invited and uninvited guests arrive, the inspector and his assistant quickly go to work asking everyone all sorts of questions about their past, present and future relationships with one another. Soon after, a black out occurs and Clive is found dead with an unidentified blonde holding a bloody dagger and several pieces of furniture are either missing or misplaced.

While Clive is being taken to his room, Jasmine, still in shock, goes for a drink of sour mash bourbon and dies from poisoning. With two murders, the not-so-witty inspector finds himself trusting no one and suspecting everyone of the murders.



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5 ★★★★★ Excellent!
4 ★★★★★ Good, very entertaining.
3 ★★★ Well made, but not worth the \$8.00.
2 ★★ Coming to cable soon
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-1 Gimme my money back



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music ratings

8-10 Brilliant
5-7 Average to damn good
3-4 Doh!
1-2 Rather listen to flies
buzzing on vomit
0 Henry Rollins

'Electronica' – music's latest hype attempt

BY DAN BARLO
Entertainment Writer

"Electronica" – the uninspiringly named catch-all for the new electronic dance hype – is doomed, it seems, to die a quick commercial death here in the States. The "new movement" that was predicted to shake booties, brains and airwaves has failed to shake the charts, of all things. Though the Prodigy's "breakthrough" disc did crack the Top 10, the band itself proved to be more KISS than Nirvana; and before you know it, safe and sane Leann Rhimes and Janet Jackson were back on top of things as if nothing ever happened.

Listeners stateside were probably lost what exactly all the hype was about, anyway. The Prodigy and their British almost-invasion won't become the fad of the land because they're just a few years

late. "Electronica," as most Americans know it, has been already popular here for over two decades. In the form of funk, disco, electro, hip-hop, house, and techno, electronic music has been beating out guitar-rock on the charts since the late '70's.

So while the more demanding bleeps and bleats of Aphex Twin or Underworld may sound too radical, Americans are just too grounded in "electronica" to take it as any more than Brit strangeness. All the danger and experimentalism has since been wrung out here: witness the bland assembly line product (B-96), rave overkill in California or soulless acts like Bone Thugs n' Harmony and No Mercy.

Unfortunately we may be missing out on the revolution. The **Urbal Beats** (7) compilation is a decent primer. Sponsored by "Urb" – a California magazine that devoted

to "Hip-Hop and Global Dance Culture" – Beats proves that electronica is just as vague a term as "alternative" was. No longer confined to a stereotypical row of icy Casio clicks, "jungle" polyrhythms, clunky beats, and general sampled weirdness dominate; the tunes owing as much to the mayhem of Public Enemy as much as they do to Detroit techno's mathematic approach.

A three minute snippet of Goldie's dreamy epic "Inner City Life" (buy Timeless to get the full breathtaking 21 minutes), Orbital's suave reworking of the theme to "The Saint" and the Chemical Brother's "Block-Rockin Beats" are here, too. On the American side, Josh Wink's "Higher State of Consciousness" comes across as a repetitive line of atonal bleeps steadily picking up speed, morphing into an orgy of sounds that

resemble someone wanking around with the radio tuner. After a few listens it makes sense – but some songs are best left to the club atmosphere.

Back in the UK, **Bentley Rhythm Ace** (Astralwerks) (8) completely defies any logical explanations. And all the better. Imagine the Beastie Boys doing their own version of Pink Floyd's Piper at the Gates of Dawn, then handing it over to the Orb for a remix, and you have B.R.A. Three parts weirdness and big beats galore, the tracks are spiked with video games noises, cuckoo clocks, seals arping, and that sound you can make with a straw and McDonald's pop lid (sounds like an asthmatic chimp). A must for anyone who found the latest Chemical Brothers disc somewhat disappointing. And finally, after a three year wait –

Portishead (Go! Beats) (10)

returns. Ever the melodramatic, Portishead is probably the only band in the world that could take a sample from one of the "Pink Panther" movies and turn it into something incredibly sinister. Like Radiohead, it would be an even sadder day if this Bristol, England trio ever discovered prozac. Not that you'd want to wish ill on anyone, but few bands before them have so keenly refined gloom into their music.

Beth Gibbons doesn't so much sing as she channels the spirit of Billie Holliday and Geoff Barrow's (how convenient that barrow also means "gravestone") soundscapes of otherworldly jazz, spy movie themes, are like a cavern of three-dimensional sound. But the most satisfying surprise on this album – besides the fact that they've outdone their debut – is that (barring one song) Portishead samples Portishead.

Actors express their feelings about open casting at PUC

"We are a community school. This is community theatre. There are students as well as former students in this show. The show is art, so why not have the best art possible?"

Heather Penn, senior

BY SUMMER M. CORONADO
Entertainment Editor

As a result of last weeks article, "Community Plays Major Role in Theatre Company," several cast members have expressed their feelings on the subject. As a whole, the cast, which consists of seven current Purdue University Calumet students and six community theatre members, four of which are former students, all agree that several aspects of the current production were left out of the article. For example, all of the hard work and dedication that each and every one of these actors has put into the production.

Heather Penn, a senior here at PUC feels that, "We are a community school. This is community theatre. There are students as well as former students in this show. The show is art, so why not have the best art possible? That's the beauty of theatre and all art." Trisha Kress, a PUC student says, "The theatre production includes a cast of varying ages and it has been brought to life by that cast. The students as well as former students and non-students have all worked together and learned from each other during the production. I consider some of the non-student cast members just like teachers to me and would regret if they were unable to work with me and the other cast members.

One actor mentions, "An open cast makes you search for the best possible from yourself. I have learned so much from those with much more experience than myself. We all have to strive for our best."

Linda Wein, a dedicated community theatre member feels that, "Every experience is beneficial. Despite what the article stated. Other universities do have open auditions to students and non-students. We all loved getting to know each other and then suddenly a dark cloud was cast over us by one negative article. Oddly enough it has in the end brought us closer together. We are not students and non-students. We are actors enjoying our art."

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